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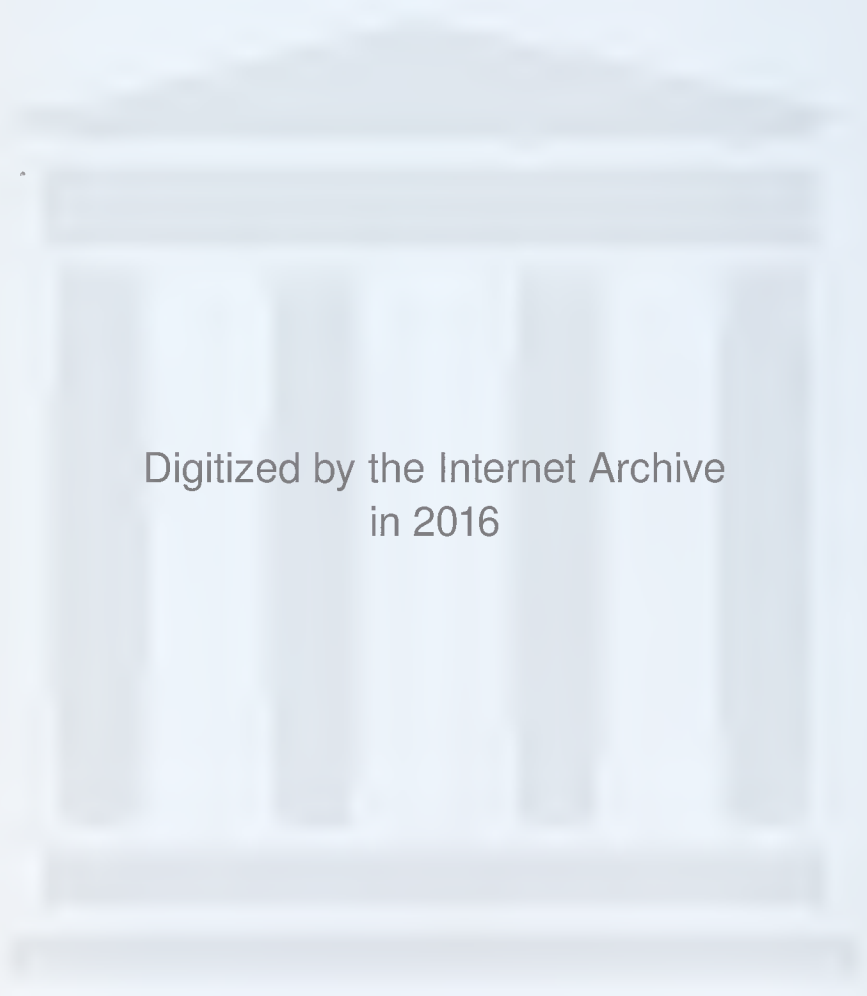
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REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

To His Excellency the Governor, the Legislature and the State Board of Charities:

GENTLEMEN—The Board of Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble Minded of Western Pennsylvania herewith submit their sixth annual report for the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1902.

A glance at the statistical tables will show that there were 927 feeble-minded persons cared for during the year.

In reviewing the operations of the Institution, the Trustees feel that they can point with pardonable pride to the maintenance during the year of the good reputation and high standard of excellence the Institution has always enjoyed.

The Trustees have held monthly meetings at the Institution and have conscientiously endeavored to discharge the duties of their office, always endeavoring to do that which is for the best interest of the State and its unfortunate wards within the Institution.

Frequent inspections have been made by the Trustees and they are pleased to be able to report all departments as being in good condition and that a general air of cheerfulness and activity pervades the Institution, indicative of good health and wholesome employment.

The officers, teachers, nurses and employes all give evidence of interest in their work and of caring for the children under their charge with sympathy and kindness.

The Institution to-day represents the highest grade of proficiency in matters pertaining to the care, training and treatment of the feeble minded. In order that this high standard may be maintained certain additions are necessary to provide for the extension of the Institution, which is at present very greatly overcrowded. The overcrowding of the Institution is particularly harmful, owing to the presence of a large number of children who are unimprovable or afflicted with paralysis. These children should have a specially constructed department to provide for their peculiar needs. The buildings at present constructed were never intended for this class of

children. It is sincerely to be hoped that the revenues of the State will permit of the construction of suitable quarters for this unfortunate class in the near future. We have very satisfactory plans for these buildings and have repeatedly appealed for means to provide for their construction, and again respectfully call your attention to this, the great need of the Institution.

Having no immediate relief for the overcrowded condition, it will be necessary to refuse admission to many worthy pupils until additional accommodations are provided.

We respectfully call your attention to the needs of the Institution as set forth in the report of the Superintendent. For details pertaining to the work of the Institution, we refer you to the report of the Superintendent, with statistical tables, which we herewith submit.

Very respectfully,

S. M. JACKSON,
JOHN A. WILEY,
WILLIAM J. BLEAKLEY,
W. T. BRADBERRY,
THOMAS B. SIMPSON,
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J. N. DAVIDSON,
W. H. SCHWARTZ,

Trustees.

REPORT OF TREASURER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1902.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasury October 1st, 1901.....	\$ 5,597 41
Cash with Superintendent, October 1st, 1901.....	300 00
From Commonwealth (account maintenance).....	127,923 92
From clothing furnished pupils	16,415 99
From pay and part pay pupils.....	3,043 77
From sale of produce	134 66
From all other sources	2,106 44
	\$155,522 19

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

From Commonwealth—

Hospital	\$ 11,000 00
Boilers	6,000 00
Reservoir	2,149 73
Store-house and root-cellar	1,705 77
	20,855 50
	\$176,377 69

EXPENDITURES.

Warrants paid during the year.....	\$170,583 23
Borrowed money repaid	5,000 00
Cash with Superintendent October 1st, 1902.....	401 66
Balance in Treasury October 1st, 1902.....	392 80
	\$176,377 69

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. BLEAKLEY,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

To the President and the Board of Trustees of the State Institution for Feeble-Minded of Western Pennsylvania:

GENTLEMEN—The sixth annual report of the affairs of the Institution for the year ending September 30, 1902, is herewith presented:

MOVEMENT OF POPULATION.

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Number present September 30, 1901.....	450	331	781
Admitted during the year	79	67	146
Total number in attendance.....	529	398	927
Discharged, improved	32	10	42
Discharged, unimproved	5	3	8
Died	16	16	32
Remaining September 30, 1902.....	476	369	845

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION.

Applications for admission were far in excess of the accommodations, compelling us to refuse to admit many children who should be cared for within the Institution, but who cannot be admitted until additional accommodations are provided.

HEALTH.

Another year bears testimony to the healthfulness of our climate and the excellent sanitary condition of the Institution. With us typhoid fever and intestinal disorders of all forms are almost unknown. This we attribute to our excellent water supply and the out of door life enjoyed by our children.

SCHOOLS.

The progress made during the year in the class rooms has been extremely satisfactory, demonstrating beyond question the fact that backward and feeble-minded children do much better when carefully graded into classes of children of like mental capacity, than when associated with normal children.



SLUM ROOM.

The attractive methods of the kindergarten, following a definite program consisting of a progressive sequence of ideas, gradually awaken the ideation of the feeble-minded child, stimulating to activity many hitherto undeveloped cerebral areas, undeveloped for want of proper stimulus. The kindergarten methods are of great value in the instruction of the feeble minded and are the basis of all instruction given in the Institution.

Besides the kindergarten instruction and the simpler methods of the common school, the training here given consists of instruction in the more practical affairs of every-day life; the cultivation of habits of cheerfulness, cleanliness and order.

Special attention is given to nature study, the school room instruction being supplemented by excursions into the woods, where the children, in company with their teachers, collect specimens of minerals, plants and animals, which are the subject of further investigation in the school rooms.

The school gardens established last year have proved very successful, assisting in the development of the child in the school room and preparing him for intelligent work upon the farm.

The sloyd classes continue to be of great value in the development of the children selected for this class of instruction.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING.

In accordance with the act creating the Institution, special attention is given to the care and raising of stock, the cultivation of plants and vegetables, and the various branches of farming.

The tailor shop, shoe shop, carpenter shop, mattress and broom shops, the sewing and mending rooms, and the manual room, with its various and ever increasing occupations, continue in successful operation.

BAND.

The band continues to increase in numbers and ability, and is more of a feature than ever in contributing to the pleasure of all within the Institution.

GYMNASTICS.

Gymnastics play no small part in the training here given, the calisthenic drills formerly used have been largely replaced by exercises commonly known as body building. These exercises, in addition to increasing the muscular tissue and producing beneficial effects

upon the general constitution, have a direct effect upon the nervous system, strengthening and quickening nervous impulses. It is through these exercises that the motor cerebral areas can best be reached and developed.

In training our children we avoid drills, which soon become automatic, for this reason the exercises are constantly varied; thus the will of the child is constantly called into play. The exercises are less spectacular in effect than the routine drills, but are of far greater value in the physical and mental development of the children.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The usual Sabbath and Wednesday evening services have been held throughout the year. A number of our larger and higher grade children attend the services in the village church.

RECREATIONS AND AMUSEMENTS.

The lawns, groves and playgrounds surrounding the Institution are a never-failing source of pleasure to the little ones. During the summer and fall, picnic, fishing and nutting parties are of almost daily occurrence. The base ball diamond has been placed in excellent condition and is in constant use, out of school hours, when the weather permits.

Kerlin Hall is very much overworked in its varied capacity of gymnasium, amusement hall, school room and chapel, and is not of sufficient dimensions to accommodate our overgrown family. However, the entertainments are much enjoyed by all who can be accommodated. A larger assembly hall is badly needed and we trust will soon be provided. It would add much to the happiness of the children.

All of the holidays were appropriately observed.

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

Lectures on nursing, with special attention to the care of the feeble minded, are delivered weekly by the medical staff, the lectures being supplemented by clinical instruction in the dispensary and the infirmary cottages. Two classes have completed the two year course of instruction and of practice in the art of nursing and in caring for the feeble minded. Forty-six nurses in all have completed the course with credit and passed the prescribed examinations, receiving certificates.



MANUAL CLASS.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The reservoir and the store house, in process of construction at the time of making the last annual report, have been completed and both prove very satisfactory.

Two additional two hundred horse power water tube boilers have been placed in the power house and five boilers equipped with automatic stokers.

The retaining wall surrounding the barn has been completed.

The roadway to the barn has been macadamized, shade trees, shrubbery and hedges planted, and extensive grading operations carried on in the neighborhood of the barns.

The ice house has been enlarged to double its former capacity.

The construction of the hospital building is well under way.

NEEDS.

Custodial Buildings—

Again we present custodial buildings as the great and pressing need of the Institution.

The present day rooms and dormitories are very much overcrowded. The care of unimprovable and helpless children in our Institution as at present constructed is at a much higher per capita cost than it would be were we provided with appropriate accommodations for this class of the feeble minded. The buildings we now have are most admirably suited for the care and training of the children capable of improvement under instruction, and who are self helpful to a degree, but were never intended for and are totally unsuited for the care of the helpless and unimprovable. This latter class, however, appeals strongly to our sympathies and we have, owing to urgent appeals, admitted many of this class, notwithstanding the fact that their care has been at great expense and inconvenience.

We have admirable plans for custodial buildings to accommodate one hundred and sixty children each, one for boys and one for girls. These we sincerely hope will be provided in the near future, as without them the Institution will be compelled to refuse admission to a large number of children who should receive the benefits of its care, training and treatment.

Assembly Hall—

Kerlin Hall has become very inadequate for the combined needs of gymnasium, entertainment hall, school room and chapel. The various school exercises held therein make it necessary to rearrange the chairs and equipment, transforming the hall from gymnasium to auditorium, many times a day.

With an assembly hall as originally planned, this would be avoided and the work of the Institution greatly facilitated.

Industrial School—

An industrial school building for girls, as provided for in the original plans of the Institution, is greatly needed, as without this building the industrial training of the girls is unsatisfactory and is carried on under great disadvantage. It is hardly necessary for me to call your attention to the importance of separating the sexes as completely as possible in an institution caring for the feeble minded.

Dining Room Extensions—

Extensions to the main dining rooms are needed to provide for the increased number of children. At present the dining rooms are very greatly overcrowded. The attendants and employes take their meals in the children's congregate dining rooms. It is advisable to provide for the attendants and employes elsewhere. Rooms for their accommodation could easily be constructed, at a moderate expense, adjoining the children's dining rooms.

House for Man in Charge of Henneries—

Our henneries have developed to such an extent that it is desirable to have the man having charge of this department reside in its immediate vicinity. A dwelling for his accommodation should be constructed.

Silos—

In order to increase the efficiency of our dairy and to produce milk most economically, we should be provided with silos. The importance and economic value of ensilage as a milk producer is too well appreciated to require comment.

ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURES.

The following is an analysis of the expenditures on account of maintenance:

Wages	\$ 34,926.39
Salaries	14,026.78
Subsistence	37,422.50
Farm	10,459.80
Fuel	12,202.28
Freight and expressage	3,904.56
Repairs and improvements	12,562.40
Furniture and bedding	6,943.47
School supplies	791.39
Telegraph and telephone	196.53
Electric light	447.31
Medical supplies and drugs	783.51
Insurance	3,356.61
Office expense	457.21
Trustees' expense	240.56
General expense	10,363.20

Total	<u>\$149,084.50</u>
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Average number of children	796.69
Per capita cost for the year	\$186.90
Average weekly per capita cost	\$ 3.59

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Fortunately, I have few changes to report under this caption. Mr. Milton Bartley, who skillfully and faithfully filled the position of engineer since the opening of the Institution, resigned. This position has been satisfactorily filled by the appointment of Mr. George Hayes, who has been in the engineering department of the Institution since its inception and who for some time has served as assistant engineer and electrician.

We were very sorry to lose the valuable services of Miss Elizabeth L. Black, who resigned her position as stenographer, which position she had filled faithfully and well for a number of years.

Miss Black was succeeded by Miss Florence W. Haslet, who most satisfactorily fills the position.

There have been very few changes in the personnel of the Institution. The great majority of the graduates of the training school remain with us and are giving admirable service.

Again I desire to call your attention to the intelligent and faithful service of the officers and employes in all departments. I cannot speak too highly of their efficiency, their loyalty, and the valuable aid they render me in conducting the affairs of the Institution.

To you, the President and members of the Board of Trustees, I again wish to extend thanks and express my sense of gratitude for your kind and friendly counsel and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. MURDOCH,

Superintendent.



DAY ROOM—COTTAGE E.



TABLE I.**Movement of Population.**

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TABLE II.**Age of Those Admitted During the Year.**

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Under five years	5	2	7
From five to eight years.....	11	8	19
From eight to twelve years.....	16	10	26
From twelve to fifteen years.....	18	13	31
From fifteen to twenty-one years.....	18	12	30
Twenty-one years and over.....	11	22	33
	79	67	146

TABLE III.**Number Admitted and Discharged Each Year.**

YEAR.	ADMITTED.		CARED FOR.		DISCHARGED.							
					IMPROVED.		UNIMPROVED.		DIED.		TOTAL.	
	BOYS.	GIRLS.	BOYS.	GIRLS.	BOYS.	GIRLS.	BOYS.	GIRLS.	BOYS.	GIRLS.	BOYS.	GIRLS.
1897.....	203	150	203	150		2			1	1	1	3
1898.....	123	78	325	225	15	9	4	4	13	9	32	22
1899.....	86	57	379	260	15	9		5	12	3	27	17
1900.....	86	65	438	308	28	9	4	3	20	11	52	23
1901.....	86	65	472	350	4	1	3	3	15	15	22	19
1902.....	79	67	529	398	32	10	5	3	16	16	53	29
Total...	663	482			94	40	16	18	77	55	187	113

TABLE IV.

There Were Maintained by the Commonwealth Wholly or in Part From the Following Counties:

Counties.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Allegheny	90	79	169
Armstrong	7	17	24
Beaver	7	7	14
Bedford	5	3	8
Blair	19	3	22
Bradford	3	..	3
Butler	13	8	21
Cambria	15	5	20
Cameron	..	1	1
Centre	9	6	15
Chester	2	..	2
Clarion	12	8	20
Clearfield	25	7	32
Clinton	8	11	19
Crawford	26	20	46
Dauphin	9	3	12
Elk	2	..	2
Erie	23	9	32
Fayette	13	15	28
Forest	3	2	5
Franklin	1	..	1
Greene	12	8	20
Huntingdon	6	2	8
Indiana	16	7	23
Jefferson	8	10	18
Juniata	7	5	12
Lackawanna	11	2	13
Lancaster	2	..	2
Lawrence	4	12	16
Lebanon	..	1	1
Lehigh	3	..	3
Luzerne	4	7	11
Lycoming	9	18	27
Mercer	18	23	41
Mifflin	3	3	6
McKean	9	8	17
Northumberland	3	1	4
Philadelphia	3	4	7
Potter	7	2	9
Somerset	3	..	3
Susquehanna	..	2	2
Schuylkill	..	1	1
Tioga	1	..	1
Union	1	..	1
Venango	22	21	43
Warren	5	2	7
Washington	7	8	15
Wayne	..	1	1
Westmoreland	13	10	23
York	1	..	1
Total	470	362	832

GARDEN.





TABLE V.

The Children Present September 30th, 1902, Were Thus Classified:

Classification.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
School Department—			
In class rooms	134	81	215
In training classes	38	24	62
Manual Department—			
In grading, road making, etc.....	38	..	38
In shops	40	..	40
In garden and farm.....	35	..	35
In laundry	2	20	22
In domestic duties	54	127	181
Custodial Department—			
In asylum	98	75	173
In nursery	37	42	79
Total	476	369	845

TABLE VI.

Number Employed in Industrial Branches.

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Bake shop	3	..	3
Blacksmith shop	1	..	1
Carpenter shop	6	..	6
Domestic duties	54	127	181
Farm	35	..	35
Grading	38	..	38
Laundry	2	20	22
Manual room	12	..	12
Painting	2	..	2
Power house	1	..	1
Sewing rooms	..	18	18
Shoe shop	6	..	6
Tailor shop	14	..	14
Hennery	5	..	5
Mattress shop	10	..	10
Total	189	165	354

OUTLINE OF SCHOOL WORK.

KINDERGARTENS.

Kindergarten A—Consists of quite small children.

Kindergarten B—Consists of boys.

Kindergarten C—Consists of older girls and a few small boys.

Kindergarten D—Consists of small boys and girls.

Morning Session—Wholly kindergarten.

Afternoon Session—Primary school work.

Kindergarten E—Consists of larger boys and girls.

Morning Session—Primary school work.

Afternoon Session—Kindergarten.

PRIMARY CLASSES.

Class A.

Two divisions, one of boys, one of girls and small boys.

Morning Session—

Fourth, Third, and Stickney's Second Readers, with nature study and geography with use of globe. Mental and written arithmetic, letter writing. Paper sloyd once a week.

Afternoon Session—

Drawing, weights, measures, object lessons, buying and selling, fraction disks.

Class B.

Two divisions, one of boys, one of girls and small boys.

Morning Session—

First and Second Reader, with nature study books, primary number work, writing (a few use copy books), letter writing.

Afternoon Session—

Object lessons, time telling, money disks, weights, measures.

Class C.

Consists of girls and boys.

Morning Session—

First and Second Reader, with nature study, slate writing. First lessons in number.

Afternoon Session—

Object lesson, time telling, form, color.

In the afternoon session, pupils from Classes A. B and C take half hour exercises in the gymnasium, also one and one-half hours in sloyd.

SLOYD CLASSES.

These classes spend one and one-half hours each day in the sloyd room, where they learn the use of wood-working tools and are required to produce, unaided, a set of articles made of wood.

MANUAL CLASS.

Boys manufacture rag-carpet, rope mats, knit worsted caps with needles and with toy knitters, braid straw and raffia hats; with machines, knit socks and mittens, net hammocks and laundry bags; basketry.

MUSIC CLASSES.

These consist of three brass bands, of sixteen boys each, and two singing classes—one for girls and one for boys.

Wednesday afternoons, when the weather is pleasant, are given to walking and collecting specimens for nature study. Aquariums and terrariums are in several class rooms.

ARTICLES MADE AND PRODUCE RAISED

During the Year Ending September 30th, 1902.

SEWING-ROOM CLASS.

Aprons	1,138
Bags	164
Body Waists	208
Chemise	119
Curtains	94
Cushions	40
Drawers	680
Dresses	694
Dress Skirts	2
Dresser Covers	6
Dusters	212
Incubator Cover	1
Milk Strainers	43
Napkins	1,614
Night Gowns	403
Night Shirts	325
Pads	151
Pillow Cases	958
Sheets	1,478
Shirt Waists	40
Skirts	346
Sunbonnets	6
Table Cloths	147
Tray Cloths	462
Towels	1,254
Towels, Tea	131
Union Suits	26
Wash Cloths	191
Window Cloths	179

MANUAL ROOM.

Caps	80
Dusters	9
Hammocks	11
Mittens, pairs	78
Raffia Hats	6
Rugs, 2x1	92
Rugs, 3½x3	10
Rope Mats	13
Socks, Knit	482
Towels Hemmed	131
Tennis Net	1

SLOYD ROOM.

Aquariums	4
Book shelves	2
Box for music disks	1
Box for envelopes	1
Boxes for dominoes	3

Boxes for gloves	2
Boxes for nails	5
Boxes for slides	3
Boxes for tools	7
Boxes for insects	7
Cage	1
Carts	2
Chisel handles	5
Card case	1
Coat hangers	10
Chairs	2
Flower pot stands	26
Money banks	2
Music stands	4
Medicine closets	4
Netting needles	7
Paper knives	3
Pencil trays	2
Pictures framed	25
Play house	1
Plant labels	8
Seat	1
Scoop	1
Sketch boards	2
Sleds	3
Stocking darners	4
Stool	1
Tabourettes	2
Terrariums	10
Tooth brush shelves	2
Towel hangers	3
Writing desks	2

TAILOR SHOP.

Suits, uniform	82
Suits, wool	25
Suits, jean	351
Suits, summer	3
Suits, kitchen	9
Coats, summer	201
Trousers, jean	175
Trousers, wool	5
Trousers, denim	132
Trousers, corduroy	4
Trousers, white duck	4
Vest, uniform	1
Aprons	7
Awning, porch	1
Awnings, sections	7
Caps	7
Cushions	14
Curtain, drop	1
Coats relined	4
Jackets	16
Overalls	29

Overcoats, black	2
Pads	382
Pillow slips	8
Piano cover	1
Shirts	33
Shirt waists (boys).....	38
Sheets	8
Sleeve muffs	8
Union suits	65
Uniform suits, braided	17
Articles altered	159
Mattress ticks	247
Mattress covers, denim	4

SHOE SHOP.

Shoes, pairs made	736
Shoes, pairs half soled.....	494
Shoes, pairs heeled	1,008
Shoes, pairs tipped	61
Shoes, pairs patched, stitched, etc.....	1,155

CARPENTER SHOP.

New articles made	189
Articles repaired	618

MATTRESS AND BROOM SHOP.

Brooms	427
Mattresses	425

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES PRESERVED.

Canned fruit	765 quarts
Cucumber pickles	1½ barrels.
Chow chow	39 gallons
Fruit butter	310 quarts
Jellies	312 quarts
Jellies	458 glasses
Marmalades	166 quarts
Preserves	475 quarts
Piccalilli	421 gallons
Pickled onions	12 gallons
Stuffed peppers	36 gallons
Spiced fruit	56 quarts
Sweet pickles	16 quarts

PRODUCE FROM FARM AND GARDEN.

	Market Value.
Asparagus, 518 bushels	25 90
Beans, string, 87½ bushels	46 25
Beans, lima, 25½ bushels	10 50
Beets, 410 bunches	8 50
Beets, 34½ bushels	11 55
Beef, 14,094 pounds	1,194 13
Beef liver, 769 pounds	33 36

	Market Value.
Buckwheat, 186 bushels	93 00
Cabbage, 13,057 heads	587 38
Celery, 4,332 stalks	69 10
Carrots, 437 bunches	9 51
Carrots, 3½ bushels	80
Cantaloupes, 250	7 50
Cauliflower, 2,246 heads	124 66
Corn, sweet, 837 dozen	41 85
Corn, broom ½ ton.....	45 00
Cucumbers, 426½ dozen	102 36
Cucumber pickles, 764 dozen	32 20
Currants, 67 quarts	6 70
Egg plants, 156	12 48
Gooseberries, 188 quarts	11 28
Horseradish, 393 stalks	21 95
Hide	109 02
Lettuce, 15,170 heads	259 61
Milk, 147,984½ quarts	5,919 38
Onions, green, 5,997 dozen	214 83
Onions, large, 11 bushels.....	8 25
Parsley, 4,143 bunches	41 63
Parsnips, 94 bushels	32 90
Peas, 62½ bushels	27 25
Peppers, 123 dozen	3 50
Pork, 27,592 pounds	2,001 68
Potatoes, 541 bushels	302 00
Radishes, 3,699 bushels	32 56
Rutabagas, 187 bushels	46 75
Rhubarb, 7,866 bunches	117 79
Salsify, 274 bunches	10 62
Spinach, 55 bushels	12 50
Spring lamb, 227 pounds	24 97
Squash, summer, 185	5 50
Squash, Hubbard, 919	55 13
Sage, 308 bunches	3 08
Tomatoes, 78½ bushels	41 50
Turnips, 404 bushels	101 00
Veal, 876 pounds	82 34
Watermelons, 397	19 85
	\$12,019 60

POULTRY AND EGGS RECEIVED FROM HENNERIES.

Chickens, 1,993 pounds	\$ 287 06
Ducks, 935 pounds	117 06
Eggs, 4,883 dozen	1,033 29
Stock and eggs sold	155 12
Turkeys, 210 pounds	24 35
Squabs and Belgian hare	9 30
	\$ 1,626 18

HAY, GRAIN, ETC.

Corn, in ear	2,405 bushels
Oats	2,583 bushels
Hay	154 tons
Straw	80 tons
Wheat	164 bushels

	Market Value.
Produce, farm and garden.....	\$12,019 60
Henneries	1,626 18
	\$13,645 78

FARM STOCK ON HAND SEPTEMBER 30, 1902.

Horses	20
Cows	58
Bulls, over two years.....	2
Young stock	32
Hogs	228
Chickens	1,400
Ducks	560
Turkeys	45
Sheep	40
Belgian hares	49

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION.

Persons applying for admission of children will fill out and return certain blanks, copies of which will be forwarded to any address on application to the Superintendent.

The best age for beginning training is the child's sixth year.

The Institution is not intended for insane persons, no matter how mild the character of the insanity. Such persons will not be received. Only such as have been of feeble mind since infancy are eligible for admission.

Any suitable person may be admitted on terms to be determined according to the requirements of the case.

When parents are able, they are required to meet the entire cost of care, training and treatment, and if unable to meet the entire cost, to pay such proportion thereof as the Trustees shall designate, in accordance with the parent's financial ability, as determined by the county officials designated by law. (See Act 1893, P. L. 256, Sec. 16.)

No child residing within the State of Pennsylvania will be refused admission on account of pecuniary inability.



SUMMER SCHOOL.



VISITING DAYS.

Visitors are admitted every Friday and Saturday from 10 a. m. to 12 m., and from 2 p. m. to 4 p. m., holidays excepted.

Persons desiring to see the children in their schools and industrial classes should visit the Institution on Friday.

LOCATION.

The Institution is located at Polk, Venango county, six miles west of Franklin, on the Franklin & Oil City branch of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway.

It may be reached from Pittsburg over the Erie & Pittsburg Division of the Pennsylvania, via New Castle, Mercer and Stoneboro.

DONATIONS.

Donations are gladly received, especially at the holiday season.

Contributions of books, magazines, toys, or cash, are especially appreciated.

Contributions may be sent direct to the Institution at our expense.

All contributions should be addressed to State Institution, Polk, Pa.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

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burg, Pa., \$1; Shamburg, Pa., contributors, \$2; A. H. Case & Co., Buffalo, N. Y., \$10; Mrs. Jennie Bausch, \$1; Mr. E. Cornwall, Pittsburg, Pa., \$5; H. J. Heinz & Co., Pittsburg, Pa., \$10; J. L. Paxton and F. D. Edmunds, Philadelphia, Pa., \$5; Mrs. Galbach, \$1; Mr. Henry Festing, Erie, Pa., \$2; Mrs. Nillis, Pittsburg, Pa., \$1.

Mrs. Plumer, Franklin, Pa., box of toys; unknown, package cards; Marvin's Bakery, three boxes assorted cakes; Arbuthnot-Stephenson Company, box wool blanket samples; M. Oppenheimer, Pittsburg, Pa., 100 lbs. candy; George A. Kelly Company, Pittsburg, Pa., large box toys; Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Titusville, Pa., dolls and hoods; unknown, picture cards, etc.; unknown contributors, large box of toys; Ellen M. Smith, Avelon, Pa., books, tree ornaments, toys; Mrs. H. Chrisjohn, Ludlow, Pa., books, copy-books, pictures, comb, thimble, etc.; Oil City contributors, thirteen large boxes of toys, handkerchiefs, ties, pictures, books, trunks, tool chests, candy, etc.; Mrs. A. Logan, Oil City, Pa., four toys; Coons & Co., Oil City, Pa., ten toys; Ruth Patterson, Oil City, Pa., books, pictures and toys; Room 4, Sixth Ward School, Oil City, Pa., books, etc.; Oil City High School, Hall A, dolls, toys, etc.; Arbutus club, Oil City, Pa., box toys; George S. King, Franklin, Pa., two pails candy; A. Leach, Franklin, Pa., one pail and one basket of candy; Rocky Grove contributors, three boxes books, cards, toys, hats, gloves, caps, papers, etc.; unknown, three dolls; J. & R. H. Woodburn, Franklin, Pa., ten dozen handkerchiefs, four dozen dolls, pictures, papers, one dozen Aesop's Fables, six dozen paper books, three dozen school companions, seven dozen tea sets; box from Emlenton—candy, oranges, toys, books, handkerchiefs, etc.; unknown, books, belt, thimble, cards, etc.; George J. Veach, Oil City, Pa., books, dolls, balls, brooches, etc.; M. Singer, Franklin, Pa., box figs; box toys and books from Kane, Pa.; Mrs. F. C. Rand, Polk, Pa., photogravures; Mrs. Strouse, Monongahela City, Pa., basket Easter eggs; Mr. Rogers, Franklin, Pa., books, papers, etc.; Bensinger, Smith & Co., Franklin, Pa., lot of picture frames; Mrs. W. J. Bleakley, Franklin, Pa., one package clothing; Mrs. J. K. Cutter, Meadville, Pa., silk patches; Miss Kinnear, Franklin, Pa., box of magazines; Miss McCollum, Oil City, Pa., papers, magazines, etc.

We also gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following papers, copies of which were sent us gratuitously throughout the year: The Oil City Derrick, Oil City, Pa.; the Charitable Observer, Lincoln, Ill.; the Western Pennsylvanian, Edgewood Park, Pa.; the Saltsburg Press, Saltsburg, Pa.; the Franklin Daily Leader, Franklin, Pa.; the Morning Tribune, Altoona, Pa., and Development, Elwyn, Pa.

ORGANIC LAW.

SESSION OF 1893.

To provide for the selection of a site and the erection of a State institution for the feeble minded, to be called the Western Pennsylvania State Institution for the Feeble Minded, and making an appropriation therefor.

Section 1.—Be it enacted, etc., That the Governor shall appoint five commissioners, who shall serve without compensation, to select a site and build an institution for the accommodation of the feeble-minded children of Western Pennsylvania.

Section 2.—Said commissioners shall select, within four months of the date of their appointment, a tract of land not less than five hundred nor more than one thousand acres in extent, so located as to be most accessible by railroad facilities to the counties of Western Pennsylvania, to-wit:

Section 3.—The tract of land so selected shall be good arable land, well adapted to the preservation of the health and the occupation and maintenance of the inmates of said institution, with an adequate supply of good water, and natural facilities for drainage from the institution buildings, and the said tract of land so selected, and the cost thereof, shall be approved in writing by the Governor and the State Board of Public Charities before the purchase money shall be paid, and the deed for the same shall be taken in the name of the Commonwealth, but nothing herein contained shall prevent said commissioners from receiving a deed to the Commonwealth in fee for any land donated for the purpose aforesaid.

Section 4.—The plans for said institution shall be prepared by said commissioners and approved by the State Board of Public Charities. The buildings shall be of the best design for the construction of such institution, and without expensive architectural adornments, or unduly large or costly administrative accommodations, and no change shall be made in said plans of construction without the consent of the State Board of Public Charities.

Section 5.—The said commissioners shall, with the approval of the Governor and State Board of Public Charities, have power to select a superintendent of construction and fix the salary thereof, and of such other persons as they may think necessary to employ, in order to secure the proper economical construction of said buildings; provided, that the total cost of said buildings and grounds shall not exceed the sum of five hundred thousand dollars.

Section 6.—To enable the commissioners to purchase the site and to erect the said buildings, the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated, to be drawn from the treasury as the same may be required, on warrants drawn by the Auditor-General in the usual manner, vouchers or statements to be furnished approved by the Secretary of the State Board of Public Charities before any warrant is issued.

Section 7.—The buildings shall be in two groups, one for the educational and industrial department, and one for the custodial or asylum department, with such other sub-divisions as will best classify and separate the many diverse forms of the infirmity to be treated, and shall embrace one or more

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school houses, a gymnasium and drill hall, a work shop, and an isolating hospital, all on such a scale as will create an institution to accommodate not less than eight hundred inmates or patients, planned and located for easy and natural additions as population demands.

Section 8.—Said commissioners shall proceed to erect said buildings and complete the same within three years from the passage of this act, and shall make report to the State Board of Public Charities of the amount of money expended by them, and of the progress made in the erection of the buildings, semi-annually at least, and oftener if so required by the board.

Section 9.—The said commissioners, upon the completion of said institution, shall surrender their trust to a Board of Trustees, to consist of nine members, who shall serve without compensation, and be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Said trustees shall be a body politic or corporate of the name and style of the State Institution for Feeble Minded of Western Pennsylvania. They shall manage and direct the concerns of the institution, and make all necessary by-laws and regulations not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth. Of the trustees first appointed, three shall serve for one year, three for two years, and three for three years, and at the expiration of the respective periods the vacancies shall be filled by the Governor by appointment for three years, as hereinbefore provided, and should any vacancy occur by death or resignation, or otherwise, of any trustee, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment, as aforesaid, for the unexpired term of such manager.

Section 10.—That this institution shall be entirely and specifically devoted to the reception, detention, care and training of idiotic and feeble-minded children, and shall be so planned in the beginning and construction as shall provide separate classification of the numerous groups embraced under the terms idiotic and imbecile or feeble minded. Cases afflicted with either epilepsy or paralysis shall have a due proportion of space and care in the custodial department. It is specifically determined that the processes of all agricultural training shall be primarily considered in the educational department, and that the employment of the inmates in the care and raising of stock and the cultivation of small fruits, vegetables, roots, et cetera, shall be made largely tributary to the maintenance of the institution.

Section 11.—There shall be received into the institution feeble-minded children under the age of twenty years, whose admission may be applied for as follows:

First—By the father, if father and mother are living together.

Second—If father and mother are not living together, then by one having custody of the child.

Third—By the guardian, duly appointed.

Fourth—By the superintendent of any county orphanage.

Fifth—By the person having the management of any other institution or asylum where children are cared for.

Under items three, four and five, consent of parents, if living, is not required.

All inmates are subject to such rules and regulations as the Board of Trustees may adopt.

Section 12.—The form of application for admission into the institution and the necessary checks to improper admissions shall be such as the Board of Trustees, with the approval of the State Board of Charities, may prescribe, and each application shall be accompanied by answers, under oath, to such interrogatories as the trustees shall by rule require to be propounded.

Section 13.—Any parent or guardian who may wish to enter a child into said institution for treatment, culture or improvement, and pay all expenses of such care, may do so under terms, rules and regulations prescribed by the superintendent and approved by the trustees.

Section 14.—Said board shall receive as inmates of said institution feeble-minded children, residents of this State, under the age of twenty years, who shall be incapable of receiving instruction in the common schools of this State. Said board shall prescribe and cause to be printed instructions and forms of application for the admission of such and shall include therein interrogatories to which they shall require answers under oath, showing such facts as may be needed for the information of said trustees. Such printed instructions and forms shall be furnished to all applicants for the admission of any person or patient in whole or in part as a State beneficiary, and shall be endorsed by the Board of Commissioners or the Directors of the Poor of the county in which he or she resides at the time of making the application.

Section 15.—Adults who may be determined to be feeble minded, and who are of such inoffensive habits as to make them proper subjects for classification and discipline in an institution for the feeble minded, can be admitted upon pursuing the same course of legal commitment as govern admission to the State Hospital for the Insane.

Section 16.—The Board of Commissioners or Directors of the Poor of a county, in approving an application for the admission of a person to said institution, shall state whether or not such child has an estate of sufficient value, or a parent or parents of sufficient financial ability to defray the expense, in whole or in part, of supporting such child in said institution, and if there be such means of support, in part only, then the amount per month which the parents or parent or the legal guardian of such child may be able to pay, and the person or persons who make the application for such admission shall therein make statement under oath as to such means of support. Said Board of Trustees, in accepting the application for the admission of any person shall fix the amount, if any, which shall be paid for such support, according to the ability of the parents or parent of such person, or according to the value of such person's estate, if any, and shall require payment for such support, so far as there may be ability to pay, as a condition to the admission or retention of said person. Said amount may at any time be changed by said trustees, according to their information concerning such means of support. Where the indigence of the child or its family be such as to require its admission upon the full beneficiary fund of the State, the ascertainment of the facts shall be as hereinbefore stated, and the support at the institution shall be provided for by annual appropriations at such per capita rates as shall be appropriated by the Legislature on the application of the trustees, after submission and approval of the same by the State Board of Public Charities.

Section 17.—Said board shall have authority to receive for the use of said institution such gifts, legacies, devices and conveyances of property, real or personal, that may be made, given or granted to or for such institution or in its name or the name of said board.

Section 18.—The said Board of Trustees shall appoint a skillful physician who shall be superintendent and shall be competent to oversee and direct the medical, hygienic, educational and industrial interests of the institution, and shall have charge and supervision of the entire institution, both professional and otherwise. He shall name for appointment such and so many assistants, attendants and employes as may be considered necessary by the said Board of Trustees, and, with the approval of the trustees, shall appoint a steward, who shall have charge, under the direction of such superintendent, of the employment of the inmates of said institution, and the purchase, production and distribution of all supplies, under such rules and regulations as may be established by such trustees.

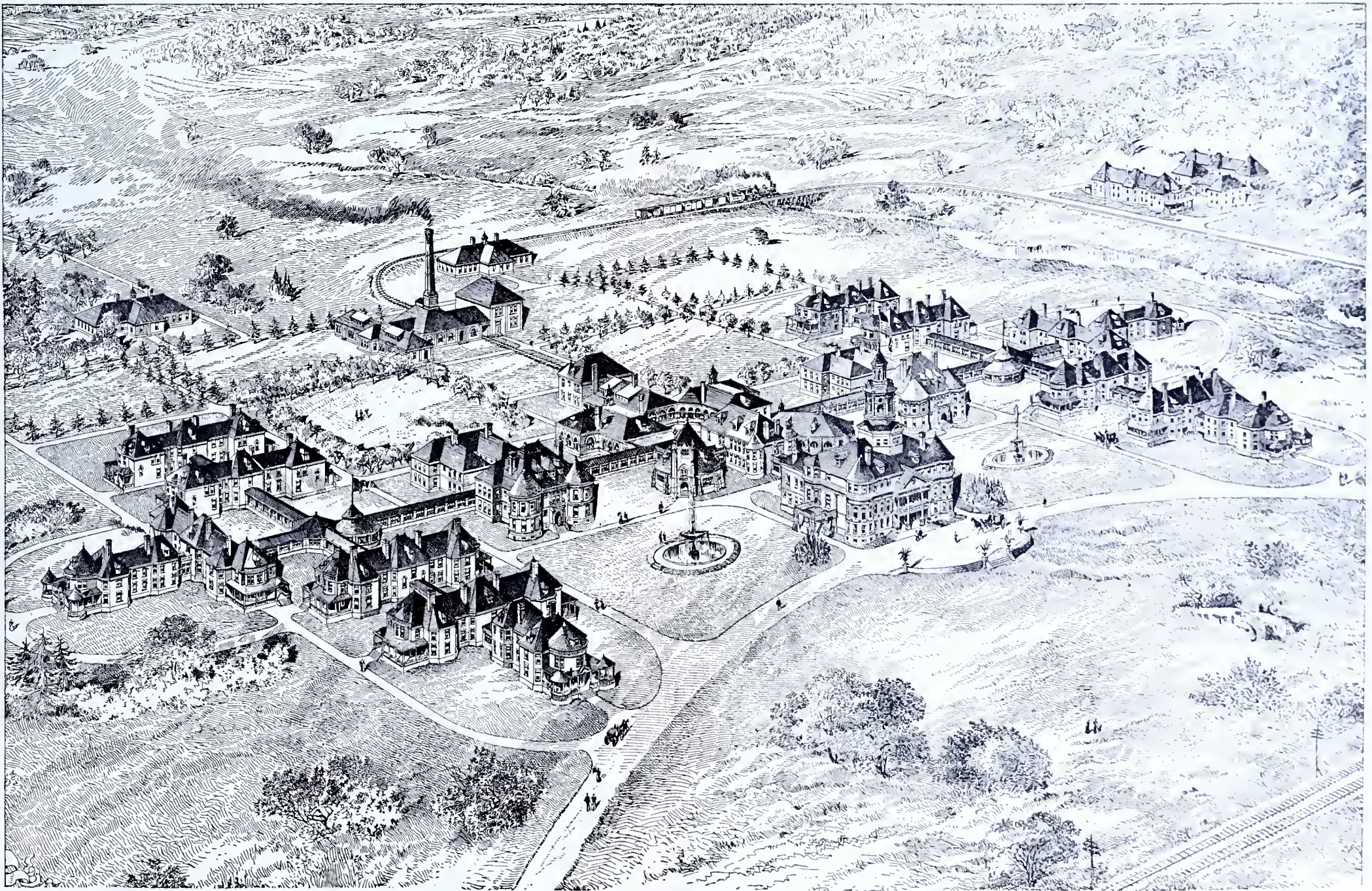
The salaries of the superintendent, matrons, teachers, assistants and attendants of the institution, shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees.

Section 19.—The said trustees shall make, under oath, by their president or treasurer, a quarterly report to the Auditor-General of the State and to the State Board of Public Charities, containing an itemized statement of the receipts from all sources and the expenses of the institution during the previous quarter, and unless such itemized report is made and approved by the State Board of Public Charities, Auditor-General and State Treasurer, the State Treasurer is hereby directed not to pay any more money to said institution until such report is made as aforesaid.

Section 20.—The Governor, Judges of the several Courts of the Commonwealth, members of the Legislature and the Board of Public Charities shall be ex-officio visitors of said institution.

Approved—The 3d day of June, A. D. 1893.

ROBERT E. PATTISON.



STATE INSTITUTION FOR FEEBLE-MINDED OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA.

